

Executive Department State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, one in 4,400 Idahoans have hypoparathyroidism; and

WHEREAS, hypoparathyroidism is a rare medical disorder that affects less than 100,000 Americans, but is growing at an alarming rate due to an increase in thyroid cancer and parathyroid surgeries; and

WHEREAS, those with hypoparathyroidism experience difficulty in obtaining an accurate diagnosis, few treatment options and difficulty in obtaining insurance, along with a sense of isolation; and

WHEREAS, the public and the medical community are woefully undereducated about hypoparathyroidism; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Hypoparathyroidism Association is to educate the public and the medical community about hypoparathyroidism; and

WHEREAS, the Hypoparathyroidism Association, Inc. is organizing a statewide observance of Hypoparathyroidism Awareness Day on June 1, 2013 where patients, medical professionals, researchers, government officials and pharmaceutical companies are joining together to focus attention on this woefully misunderstood and misdiagnosed medical disorder;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim June 1, 2013 to be

HYPOPARATHYROIDISM AWARENESS DAY

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and thirteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-third.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER GOVERNOR

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